ALMOST EVERYWHERE CONVERGENCE OF ORTHOGONAL EXPANSIONS OF SEVERAL VARIABLES

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ABSTRACT. For weighted L^1 space on the unit sphere of \mathbb{R}^{d+1} , in which the weight functions are invariant under finite reflection groups, a maximal function is introduced and used to prove the almost everywhere convergence of orthogonal expansions in h-harmonics. The result applies to various methods of summability, including the de la Vallée Poussin means and the Cesàro means. Similar results are also established for weighted orthogonal expansions on the unit ball and on the simplex of \mathbb{R}^d .

1. Introduction

Let $S^d=\{x:\|x\|=1\}$ denote the unit sphere in \mathbb{R}^{d+1} , where $\|x\|$ denote the usual Euclidean norm. For a nonzero vector $v\in\mathbb{R}^{d+1}$, let σ_v denote the reflection with respect to the hyperplane perpendicular to $v,\ x\sigma_v:=x-2(\langle x,v\rangle/\|v\|^2)v,\ x\in\mathbb{R}^{d+1}$, where $\langle x,y\rangle$ denote the usual Euclidean inner product. We consider the weighted approximation on S^d with respect to the measure $h_\kappa^2 d\omega$, where $d\omega$ is the surface (Lebesgue) measure on S^d and the weight function h_κ is defined by

(1.1)
$$h_{\kappa}(x) = \prod_{v \in R_{+}} |\langle x, v \rangle|^{\kappa_{v}}, \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1},$$

in which R_+ is a fixed positive root system of \mathbb{R}^{d+1} , normalized so that $\langle v,v\rangle=2$ for all $v\in R_+$, and κ is a nonnegative multiplicity function $v\mapsto \kappa_v$ defined on R_+ with the property that $\kappa_u=\kappa_v$ whenever σ_u is conjugate to σ_v in the reflection group G generated by the reflections $\{\sigma_v:v\in R_+\}$. The function h_κ is invariant under the reflection group G. The simplest example is given by the case $G=\mathbb{Z}_2^{d+1}$ for which h_κ is just the product weight function

(1.2)
$$h_{\kappa}(x) = \prod_{i=1}^{d+1} |x_i|^{\kappa_i}, \qquad \kappa_i \ge 0.$$

We denote by a_{κ} the normalization constant of h_{κ} , $a_{\kappa}^{-1} = \int_{S^d} h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega$, and denote by $L^p(h_{\kappa}^2)$, $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, the space of functions defined on S^d with the finite norm

$$||f||_{\kappa,p} := \left(a_{\kappa} \int_{S^d} |f(y)|^p h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega(y)\right)^{1/p}, \qquad 1 \le p < \infty,$$

and for $p = \infty$ we assume that L^{∞} is replaced by $C(S^d)$, the space of continuous functions on S^d with the usual uniform norm $||f||_{\infty}$. We consider the weighted

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approximation in $L^p(h_{\kappa}^2)$. The case $\kappa \equiv 0$ corresponds to the usual L^p (unweighted) approximation on S^d .

The homogeneous polynomials that are orthogonal with respect to $h_{\kappa}^2 d\omega$ are studied by Dunkl ([13, 14]; see [15] and the references therein). They are called h-harmonics, since they satisfy many properties that are similar to those of ordinary harmonics. In particular, summability of h-harmonic expansions has been studied in [26, 18, 27] and weighted approximation theory by polynomials in $L^p(h_{\kappa}^2)$ has been developed in [29, 30]. For the usual harmonic analysis and approximation on the sphere, see [9, 17, 19, 22] and the references therein. The study in the weighted case often becomes more difficult, since the orthogonal group acts transitively on the sphere S^d but a reflection group does not. This happens to the case of almost everywhere convergence, which we study in this paper.

Let $d(x,y) = \arccos\langle x,y \rangle$ be the geodesic distance of $x,y \in S^d$. For the usual approximation on S^d , the maximal function

(1.3)
$$\mathcal{M}f(x) := \sup_{0 \le \theta \le \pi} \frac{\int_{d(x,y) \le \theta} f(y) d\omega}{\int_{d(x,y) \le \theta} d\omega}$$

is a weak type (1,1) operator and it plays an important role in the study of almost everywhere convergence. As we will see, however, the straightforward extension

$$\mathcal{M}_h f(x) = \sup_{0 \le \theta \le \pi} \frac{\int_{d(x,y) \le \theta} f(y) h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega}{\int_{d(x,y) < \theta} h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega}$$

for the weighted L^1 functions is not the natural one for the weighted approximation. One of our main results is to introduce an alternative maximal function, making use of the weighted spherical means T^{κ}_{θ} studied in [30], and show that it is weak type (1, 1) in a proper sense. The weak type inequality is then used to prove the almost everywhere convergence of the h-harmonic expansions. In particular, as corollaries, our results show that the Poisson integral, the Cesàro means and the de la Vallèe Poussin means of the h-harmonic expansions all converge almost everywhere on the sphere for $f \in L^1(h^2_{\pi})$.

Our main result also includes extension of these results to weighted approximation on the unit ball $B^d = \{x : ||x|| \le 1\}, x \in \mathbb{R}^d$, in which the weight function is of the form

(1.4)
$$W_{\kappa,\mu}^{B}(x) = h_{\kappa}^{2}(x)(1 - ||x||^{2})^{\mu - 1/2}, \qquad x \in B^{d},$$

where h_{κ} is a reflection invariant weight function on \mathbb{R}^d and $\mu \geq 0$, and to the weighted approximation on the simplex

$$T^d = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : x_1 \ge 0, \dots, x_d \ge 0, 1 - |x| \ge 0\}, \qquad |x| = x_1 + \dots + x_d,$$

in which the weight functions take the form

(1.5)
$$W_{\kappa,\mu}^{T}(x) = h_{\kappa}^{2}(\sqrt{x_{1}}, \dots, \sqrt{x_{d}})(1 - |x|)^{\mu - 1/2}/\sqrt{x_{1} \cdots x_{d}},$$

where $\mu \geq 0$ and h_{κ} is a reflection invariant weight function defined on \mathbb{R}^d , even in each of its variables. These include the classical weight functions on these domains, which are

(1.6)
$$W_{\mu}^{B}(x) = (1 - ||x||^{2})^{\mu - 1/2}, \qquad x \in B^{d},$$

on the unit ball (taking $h_{\kappa}(x) = 1$) and

$$(1.7) W_{\kappa}^{T}(x) = x_{1}^{\kappa_{1} - 1/2} \cdots x_{d}^{\kappa_{d} - 1/2} (1 - |x|)^{\kappa_{d+1} - 1/2}, x \in T^{d},$$

on the simplex (taking $h_{\kappa}(x) = \prod_{i=1}^{d} |x_i|^{2\kappa_i}$ and $\kappa_{d+1} = \mu$). While the results on B^d can be established easily using the corresponding result on S^d , those on T^d need more careful study. Our results on almost everywhere convergence appear to be new even for the classical weight functions. For d = 1, the two cases correspond to the Gegenbauer expansions and to the Jacobi expansions, respectively.

The paper is organized as follows. The maximal function and almost everywhere convergence on the unit sphere are studied in Section 2. The results on the unit ball and on the simplex are studied in Section 3 and Section 4, respectively.

2. Maximal function and almost everywhere convergence on S^d

2.1. **Background.** Let h_{κ} be the reflection invariant weight function defined in (1.1). The essential ingredient of the theory of h-harmonics is a family of first-order differential-difference operators, \mathcal{D}_i , called Dunkl's operators, which generates a commutative algebra; these operators are defined by ([13])

$$\mathcal{D}_i f(x) = \partial_i f(x) + \sum_{v \in R_+} k_v \frac{f(x) - f(x\sigma_v)}{\langle x, v \rangle} \langle v, \varepsilon_i \rangle, \qquad 1 \le i \le d + 1,$$

where $\varepsilon_1, \ldots, \varepsilon_d$ are the standard unit vectors of \mathbb{R}^{d+1} . The h-Laplacian is defined by $\Delta_h = \mathcal{D}_1^2 + \ldots + \mathcal{D}_{d+1}^2$ and it plays the role similar to that of the ordinary Laplacian. Let \mathcal{P}_n^{d+1} denote the subspace of homogeneous polynomials of degree n in d+1 variables. An h-harmonic polynomial P of degree n is a homogeneous polynomial $P \in \mathcal{P}_n^{d+1}$ such that $\Delta_h P = 0$. Furthermore, let $\mathcal{H}_n^{d+1}(h_{\kappa}^2)$ denote the space of h-harmonic polynomials of degree n in d+1 variables and define

$$\langle f, g \rangle_{\kappa} := a_{\kappa} \int_{S^d} f(x)g(x)h_{\kappa}^2(x)d\omega(x).$$

Then $\langle P, Q \rangle_{\kappa} = 0$ for $P \in \mathcal{H}_n^{d+1}(h_{\kappa}^2)$ and $Q \in \Pi_{n-1}^{d+1}$. The spherical h-harmonics are the restriction of h-harmonics on the unit sphere. It is known that $\dim \mathcal{H}_n^{d+1}(h_{\kappa}^2) = \dim \mathcal{P}_n^{d+1} - \dim \mathcal{P}_{n-2}^{d+1}$ with $\dim \mathcal{P}_n^d = \binom{n+d-1}{n}$.

The standard Hilbert space theory shows that

$$L^{2}(h_{\kappa}^{2}) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \bigoplus \mathcal{H}_{n}^{d}(h_{\kappa}^{2}).$$

That is, with each $f \in L^2(h^2_{\kappa})$ we can associate its h-harmonic expansion

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} Y_n(h_{\kappa}^2; f, x), \qquad x \in S^d,$$

in $L^2(h_{\kappa}^2)$ norm. For the surface measure $(\kappa=0)$, such a series is called the Laplace series (cf. [16, Chapt. 12]). The orthogonal projection $Y_n(h_{\kappa}^2): L^2(h_{\kappa}^2) \mapsto \mathcal{H}_n^{d+1}(h_{\kappa}^2)$ takes the form

(2.1)
$$Y_n(h_{\kappa}^2; f, x) := \int_{S^d} f(y) P_n(h_{\kappa}^2; x, y) h_{\kappa}^2(y) \, d\omega(y),$$

where the kernel $P_n(h_{\kappa}^2; x, y)$ is the reproducing kernel of the space of h-harmonics $\mathcal{H}_n^{d+1}(h_{\kappa}^2)$ in $L^2(h_{\kappa}^2)$. The kernel $P_n(h_{\kappa}^2; x, y)$ enjoys a compact formula in terms

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of the intertwining operator between the commutative algebra generated by the partial derivatives and the one generated by Dunkl's operators. This operator, V_{κ} , is linear and it is determined uniquely by

$$V_{\kappa} \mathcal{P}_{n}^{d} \subset \mathcal{P}_{n}^{d}, \qquad V_{\kappa} 1 = 1, \qquad \mathcal{D}_{i} V_{\kappa} = V_{\kappa} \partial_{i}, \qquad 1 \leq i \leq d+1.$$

The compact formula of the reproducing kernel for $\mathcal{H}_n^{d+1}(h_{\kappa}^2)$ is given by ([26])

(2.2)
$$P_n(h_{\kappa}^2; x, y) = \frac{n + \lambda_{\kappa}}{\lambda_{\kappa}} V_{\kappa}[C_n^{\lambda_{\kappa}}(\langle \cdot, y \rangle)](x),$$

where, and throughout this paper, we fix the value of λ_{κ} as

(2.3)
$$\lambda := \lambda_{\kappa} = \gamma_{\kappa} + \frac{d-1}{2} \quad \text{with} \quad \gamma_{\kappa} = \sum_{v \in R_{+}} \kappa_{v}.$$

The function $C_n^{\lambda}(t)$ is the standard Gegenbauer polynomial, orthogonal with respect to the weight function

$$w_{\lambda}(t) = (1 - t^2)^{\lambda - 1/2}, \quad -1 \le t \le 1.$$

If all $\kappa_v = 0$, V_{κ} becomes the identity operator and the above formula is the usual formula for the zonal polynomial.

An explicit formula of V_{κ} is known only in the case of symmetric group S_3 for three variables and in the case of the abelian group \mathbb{Z}_2^{d+1} . In the latter case, V_{κ} is an integral operator,

$$(2.4) V_{\kappa}f(x) = c_{\kappa} \int_{[-1,1]^{d+1}} f(x_1t_1, \dots, x_{d+1}t_{d+1}) \prod_{i=1}^{d+1} (1+t_i)(1-t_i^2)^{\kappa_i-1} dt,$$

where c_{κ} is the normalization constant determined by $V_{\kappa}1 = 1$. If some $\kappa_i = 0$, then the formula holds under the limit relation

$$\lim_{\lambda \to 0} c_{\lambda} \int_{-1}^{1} f(t)(1 - t^{2})^{\lambda - 1} dt = [f(1) + f(-1)]/2.$$

One important property of the intertwining operator is that it is positive ([21]), that is, $V_{\kappa}p \geq 0$ if $p \geq 0$. In fact, for each $x \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$ there is a unique probability measure μ_x such that

$$(2.5) V_{\kappa}f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} f(y)d\mu_x(y)$$

for each polynomial f. The measure μ_x is compactly supported with supp $\mu_x \subset \operatorname{co}\{wx : w \in G\}$, the convex hull of the orbit of x under G. The intertwining operator plays an essential role for the weighted approximation by polynomials in $L^p(h_\kappa^2)$, as shown in [30], and it is also essential for the definition of our maximal function.

2.2. **Maximal Function.** For the definition of our maximal function, we need the extension of the spherical means defined in [29]. These means are defined implicitly as follows:

Definition 2.1. For $0 \le \theta \le \pi$, the means T_{θ}^{κ} are defined by

$$(2.6) \quad c_{\lambda} \int_{0}^{\pi} T_{\theta}^{\kappa} f(x) g(\cos \theta) (\sin \theta)^{2\lambda} d\theta = a_{\kappa} \int_{S^{d}} f(y) V_{\kappa} [g(\langle x, \cdot \rangle)](y) h_{\kappa}^{2}(y) d\omega(y),$$

where g is any $L^1(w_{\lambda})$ function and $\lambda = \lambda_{\kappa}$.

The weighted spherical means T_{θ}^{κ} are well-defined ([30]). In the case of the Lebesgue measure (that is, $h_{\kappa}(x) = 1$), $\kappa = 0$ and $V_{\kappa} = id$, the means T_{θ}^{κ} agree with the usual spherical means $T_{\theta}f$,

$$T_{\theta}f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma_{d-1}(\sin\theta)^{d-1}} \int_{\langle x, y \rangle = \cos\theta} f(y) d\omega(y),$$

where $\sigma_{d-1} = \int_{S^{d-1}} d\omega = 2\pi^{d/2}/\Gamma(d/2)$ is the surface area of S^{d-1} . The properties of the means T_{θ} are well-known; see [5, 20], for example. The means T_{θ}^{κ} satisfy similar properties as shown in [29, 30]. In particular, for $f \in L^p(h_{\kappa}^2)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, or $f \in C(S^d)$,

$$(2.7) ||T_{\theta}^{\kappa}f||_{\kappa,p} \leq ||f||_{\kappa,p} \text{and} \lim_{\theta \to 0} ||T_{\theta}^{\kappa}f - f||_{\kappa,p} = 0.$$

Let us also mention that if $f_0(x) = 1$, then $T_{\theta}^{\kappa} f_0(x) = 1$. In particular, setting f(x) = 1 in (2.6) gives the equation

(2.8)
$$a_{\kappa} \int_{S^d} V_{\kappa}[g(\langle x, \cdot \rangle)](y) h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega(y) = c_{\lambda} \int_0^{\pi} g(\cos \theta) (\sin \theta)^{2\lambda} d\theta$$

for every $g \in L^1(w_\lambda)$, which is a special case proved early in [26]. A more general result proved in [26] is the following formula

(2.9)
$$a_{\kappa} \int_{S^d} V_{\kappa} f(y) h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega = A_{\kappa} \int_{B^{d+1}} f(x) (1 - \|x\|^2)^{\gamma_{\kappa} - 1} dx,$$

where A_{κ} is the normalization constant for $(1-||x||^2)^{\gamma_{\kappa}-1}$. The spherical means are used to define a modulus of continuity of f, which is used in turn to characterize the best approximation for polynomials. We use them to define our maximal function.

Definition 2.2. For $f \in L^1(h^2_{\kappa})$, the maximal function $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa}f$ is defined by

(2.10)
$$\mathcal{M}_{\kappa}f(x) = \sup_{0 \le \theta \le \pi} \frac{\int_0^{\theta} T_{\phi}^{\kappa} |f|(x) (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi}{\int_0^{\theta} (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi}.$$

Let $c(x,\theta) := \{y \in B^{d+1} : \langle x,y \rangle \ge \cos \theta\}$. Its restriction on S^d , which we denoted by $c_S(x,\theta)$, is the spherical cap centered at x. Let χ_E denote the characteristic function of the set E. For $0 \le \theta \le \pi$, let $g_{\theta}(t) = \chi_{[\cos \theta,1]}(t)$ be a function defined on [-1,1]. It follows from the definition of T_{θ}^{κ} that

$$c_{\lambda} \int_{0}^{\theta} T_{\phi}^{\kappa} |f|(x) (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi = a_{\kappa} \int_{S^{d}} |f(y)| V_{\kappa}[g_{\theta}(\langle x, \cdot \rangle)](y) h_{\kappa}^{2}(y) d\omega(y).$$

On the other hand, it is easy to see that $g_{\theta}(\langle x, \cdot \rangle) = \chi_{c(x,\theta)}$. Hence, using the equation (2.8), we have the following alternative definition of $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa}f(x)$.

Proposition 2.3. For $f \in L^1(h^2_{\kappa})$,

$$\mathcal{M}_{\kappa}f(x) = \sup_{0 \le \theta \le \pi} \frac{\int_{S^d} |f(y)| V_{\kappa} \left[\chi_{c(x,\theta)}\right](y) h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega(y)}{\int_{S^d} V_{\kappa} \left[\chi_{c(x,\theta)}\right](y) h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega(y)}$$

In the case of $\kappa = 0$, $V_{\kappa} = id$; we see that $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa} f$ reduces to the classical maximal function (1.3) for |f|. In the case of $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^{d+1}$, the formula of V_{κ} in (2.4) shows that

$$V_{\kappa} \left[\chi_{c(x,\theta)} \right] (y) = 0, \quad \text{if} \quad \langle \bar{x}, \bar{y} \rangle < \cos \theta,$$

where $\bar{x} = (|x_1|, \dots, |x_d|)$. Evidently, $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa} f(x)$ satisfies

$$\|\mathcal{M}_{\kappa}f\|_{\infty} \le \|f\|_{\infty}, \quad \forall f \in C(S^d).$$

Our goal is to prove a weak type estimate for $f \in L^1(h^2_{\kappa})$. In the following, the constant c denotes a generic constant, which depends only on the values of d, κ and other fixed parameters and whose value may be different from line to line.

Theorem 2.4. Let $\sigma > 0$ and $f \in L^1(h_{\kappa}^2)$. Define $c(\sigma) = \{x : \mathcal{M}_{\kappa} f(x) \geq \sigma\}$. Then there is a function $w_{\sigma}(x)$ which is positive on $c(\sigma)$ such that

$$\int_{S^d} \chi_{c(\sigma)}(x) w_{\sigma}(x) d\omega \le c \, \frac{\|f\|_{\kappa,1}}{\sigma}.$$

Proof. For each $x \in c(\sigma)$, there is a θ such that

$$\int_{S^d} |f(y)| V_{\kappa} \left[\chi_{c(x,\theta)} \right] (y) h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega \ge \sigma \int_{S^d} V_{\kappa} \left[\chi_{c(x,\theta)} \right] (y) h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega.$$

Assume that there is an x for which $\theta \geq \pi/N$ for a fixed N, say N=20. Then $\int_0^{\theta} (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi \sim \int_0^{\pi} (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi$. Since $V_{\kappa} \left[\chi_{c(x,\theta)} \right](x) \leq V_{\kappa} 1 = 1$, it follows from (2.8) that

$$\int_{S^d} |f(y)| h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega \ge \int_{S^d} |f(y)| V_{\kappa} \left[\chi_{c(x,\theta)} \right] (y) h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega
\ge \sigma \int_{S^d} V_{\kappa} \left[\chi_{c(x,\theta)} \right] (y) h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega = \sigma \int_0^{\theta} (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi
\ge c\sigma \int_0^{\pi} (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi \ge c\sigma \int_{S^d} d\omega
\ge c\sigma \int_{S^d} \chi_{c(\sigma)}(y) d\omega,$$

which is the stated inequality. Hence, we only need to consider the case that $0 \le \theta \le \pi/N$ for N=20. We use a covering lemma, which states that if E is a subset of S^d and E is covered by a family of spherical caps $\{c_S(x,\theta)\}$, then a disjoint sequence $c_S(x_j,\theta_j)$, $j=1,2,\ldots$, can be chosen from the family such that $E \subset \cup_j c_S(x_j,5\theta_j)$. Such a lemma is proved in exactly the same way that the similar lemma with the solid ball in \mathbb{R}^d is proved (see [23, p. 8]). Let $c_S(x_j,\theta_j)$ be the sequence for the set $c(\sigma)$. Then

$$\sum_{j} \chi_{c_S(x_j, 10\theta_j)}(x) \ge c\chi_{c(\sigma)}(x), \qquad x \in S^d,$$

where we have enlarge the sets from $c_S(x_j, 5\theta_j)$ to $c_S(x_j, 10\theta_j)$, so that the inequality still holds and, furthermore, the enlargement means that the solid set $c(x_j, 10\theta_j) \supset c(x_j, 5\theta_j)$, from which it follows that the solid set $\bigcup_j c(x_j, 10\theta_j) \supset c^*(\sigma)$, where

$$c^*(\sigma) := \{ ry' : y' \in c(\sigma), 1 - v(y') \le r \le 1 \}$$

and $v(y') = \max\{r : rx' \in \bigcup_j c(x_j, 10\theta_j)\} > 0$. The enlargement ensures that v(y') > 0 for all $y' \in c(\sigma)$. Thus,

$$\sum_{j} \chi_{c(x_j, 10\theta_j)}(x) \ge c\chi_{c^*(\sigma)}(x), \qquad x \in B^{d+1}.$$

By (2.8), it follows that for $\theta \leq \pi/20$,

$$\int_{S^d} V_{\kappa} \left[\chi_{c(x,\theta)} \right] (y) h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega = c \int_0^{\theta} (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi$$

$$\geq c \int_0^{10\theta} (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi = c \int_{S^d} V_{\kappa} \left[\chi_{c(x,10\theta)} \right] (y) h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega.$$

Hence, by Fatou's lemma, it follows that

$$\begin{split} \|f\|_{\kappa,1} &\geq \sum_{j} \int_{S^{d}} |f(y)| V_{\kappa} \left[\chi_{c(x_{j},\theta_{j})} \right] (y) h_{\kappa}^{2}(y) d\omega \\ &\geq \sigma \sum_{j} \int_{S^{d}} V_{\kappa} \left[\chi_{c(x_{j},\theta_{j})} \right] (y) h_{\kappa}^{2}(y) d\omega \geq c\sigma \int_{S^{d}} \sum_{j} V_{\kappa} \left[\chi_{c(x_{j},10\theta_{j})} \right] (y) h_{\kappa}^{2}(y) d\omega. \end{split}$$

By the integral representation of V_{κ} at (2.5) and Fatou's lemma, $\sum_{j} V_{\kappa} \left[\chi_{c(x_{j},10\theta_{j})} \right](y)$ $\geq V_{\kappa} \left[\sum_{j} \chi_{c(x_{j},10\theta_{j})} \right](y)$. Consequently, using the inequality $\sum_{j} \chi_{c(x_{j},10\theta_{j})}(x) \geq c\chi_{c^{*}(\sigma)}(x)$, we conclude that

$$||f||_{\kappa,1} \ge c \, \sigma \int_{S^d} V_{\kappa} \left[\chi_{c^*(\sigma)} \right] (y) h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega$$

$$= c \, \sigma \int_{B^{d+1}} \chi_{c^*(\sigma)}(x) (1 - ||x||^2)^{\gamma_{\kappa} - 1} dx$$

$$= c \, \sigma \int_0^1 r^{d-1} \int_{S^d} \chi_{c^*(\sigma)}(rx') d\omega(x') (1 - r^2)^{\gamma_{\kappa} - 1} dr$$

$$= c \, \sigma \int_{S^d} \left[\int_0^1 r^{d-1} \chi_{c^*(\sigma)}(rx') (1 - r^2)^{\gamma_{\kappa} - 1} dr \right] d\omega(x').$$

To complete the proof, we show that the inner integral is greater than $w_{\sigma}(x')\chi_{c(\sigma)}(x')$ for a positive function w_{σ} on $c(\sigma)$. By the definition of $c^*(\sigma)$, if $\chi_{c(\sigma)}(x') = 1$, then $\chi_{c^*(\sigma)}(rx') = 1$ for $1 - v(x') \le r \le 1$, so that

$$\int_{0}^{1} r^{d-1} \chi_{c^{*}(\sigma)}(rx') (1-r^{2})^{\gamma_{\kappa}-1} dr = \int_{1-v(x')}^{1} r^{d-1} (1-r^{2})^{\gamma_{\kappa}-1} dr$$

$$\geq c \int_{1-v(x')}^{1} (1-r)^{\gamma_{\kappa}-1} dr = c[v(x')]^{\gamma_{\kappa}}.$$

Let $w_{\sigma}(x') = [v(x')]^{\gamma_{\kappa}}$. Then $w_{\sigma}(x') > 0$ for all $x' \in c(\sigma)$. This completes the proof.

The inequality proved in the theorem is not the usual weak type (1,1) estimate because of the presence of w_{σ} and the fact that w_{σ} depends on f. Since $\|\mathcal{M}_{\kappa}f\|_{\infty} \leq \|f\|_{\infty}$, an ordinary weak type inequality would imply, by the Marcinkiewicz interpolation theorem, that $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa}f$ is of strong type (p,p).

Corollary 2.5. For $\theta \geq 0$ and $x \in S^d$, define

$$f_{\theta}(x) = \frac{\int_{S^d} f(y) V_{\kappa} \left[\chi_{c(x,\theta)} \right] (y) h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega}{\int_{S^d} V_{\kappa} \left[\chi_{c(x,\theta)} \right] (y) h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega}.$$

If $f \in L^1(h^2_{\kappa})$, then $\lim_{\theta \to 0} f_{\theta}(x) = f(x)$ for almost every $x \in S^d$.

Proof. From the definition of $T_{\theta}^{\kappa}f$, an alternative definition of $f_{\theta}(x)$ is

(2.11)
$$f_{\theta}(x) = \frac{\int_0^{\theta} T_{\phi}^{\kappa} f(x) (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi}{\int_0^{\theta} (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi}.$$

Hence, it follows from

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$$f_{\theta}(x) - f(x) = \frac{\int_0^{\theta} (T_{\phi}^{\kappa} f(x) - f(x))(\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi}{\int_0^{\theta} (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi}$$

and the inequality (2.7) on $T_{\theta}^{\kappa}f$ that

$$||f_{\theta} - f||_{\kappa, p} \le \sup_{0 \le \phi \le \theta} ||T_{\phi}^{\kappa} f - f||_{\kappa, p} := \omega(f; \theta)_{\kappa, p}$$

for $1 \leq p \leq \infty$. It is shown in [30] that $\omega(f;\theta)_{\kappa,p} \to 0$ as $\theta \to 0$ for $f \in L^p(h_{\kappa}^2)$. In particular, it follows that $f_{\theta} \to f$ in $L^1(h_{\kappa}^2)$. The rest of the proof follows from the standard argument (see, for example, [23, p. 8]). We need to show that for $f \in L^1(h_{\kappa}^2)$ and for almost every $x \in S^d$,

$$\Omega f(x) := \left| \limsup_{\theta \to 0} f_{\theta}(x) - \liminf_{\theta \to 0} f_{\theta}(x) \right| = 0.$$

If g is continuous, $\Omega g(x) \equiv 0$. If $g \in L^1(h_{\kappa}^2)$, then

$$\int_{S^d} \chi_{c(\sigma)}(y) w_{\sigma}(y) d\omega \le c \frac{\|g\|_{\kappa,1}}{\sigma},$$

where $c(\sigma) = \{x : 2\mathcal{M}_{\kappa}g(x) \geq \sigma\}$. Since $\Omega g(x) \leq 2\mathcal{M}_{\kappa}g(x)$ implies $\{x : \Omega g(x) \geq \sigma\} \subset c(\sigma)$, it follows that

$$\int_{S^d} \chi_{\{\Omega g(x) > \sigma\}}(y) w_{\sigma}(y) d\omega(y) \le c \frac{\|g\|_{\kappa, 1}}{\sigma}.$$

Every $f \in L^1(h_\kappa^2)$ can be written as a sum of f = h + g with $h \in C(S^d)$ and $\|g\|_{\kappa,1}$ arbitrarily small. Since $\Omega h(x) \equiv 0$, the above inequality implies that $\chi_{\{\Omega f(x) > \sigma\}}(y) w_{\sigma}(y) = 0$ almost everywhere for all $\sigma > 0$. Since w_{σ} is positive on $c(\sigma)$, hence positive on $\{x : \Omega f(x) > \sigma\} = \{x : \Omega g(x) > \sigma\} \subset c(\sigma)$, it follows that $\Omega f(x) = 0$ almost everywhere.

2.3. Almost everywhere convergence of h-harmonic expansions. We will establish almost everywhere convergence for summation methods of h-harmonic expansions. In [30] a convolution, \star_{κ} , is defined for $f \in L^1(h_{\kappa}^2)$ and $g \in L^1(w_{\lambda}; [-1, 1])$,

$$(2.12) (f \star_{\kappa} g)(x) := a_{\kappa} \int_{S^d} f(y) V_{\kappa}[g(\langle x, \cdot \rangle)](y) h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega.$$

If $h_{\kappa}(x) \equiv 1$ (the usual surface measure), this is the spherical convolution in [10]. Because of (2.4) and (2.2), a summation method for h-harmonic expansions can be written in the form of

(2.13)
$$Q_r f(x) = (f \star_{\kappa} q_r)(x), \qquad q_r(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_j(r) \frac{j + \lambda_{\kappa}}{\lambda_{\kappa}} C_j^{\lambda_{\kappa}}(t),$$

where q_r is a function defined on [-1,1], r is a parameter, and q_r satisfies

$$a_{\kappa} \int_{S^d} V_{\kappa} q_r(\langle x, \cdot \rangle) h_{\kappa}^2(y) d\omega = c_{\lambda} \int_0^{\pi} q_r(\cos \theta) (\sin \theta)^{2\lambda} d\theta = 1,$$

in which the first equal sign follows from (2.8). The summation method $Q_r f(x)$ converges to f(x) in $L^p(h^2_{\kappa})$ for $1 \leq p < \infty$ and in $C(S^d)$ if $p = \infty$, as $r \to r_0$, where r_0 can be infinity.

Our goal is to prove the almost everywhere convergence of $Q_r f(x)$. The following is a theorem that holds under mild assumptions on the kernel function.

Theorem 2.6. Assume that $|q_r(\cos \theta)| \le m_r(\theta)$ for some nonnegative differentiable function m_r on $[0, \pi]$ and m_r satisfies

(1)
$$m'_r(\theta) \le 0$$
 for $0 \le \theta \le \pi$,

(2)
$$\sup_{r} c_{\lambda} \int_{0}^{\pi} m_{r}(\theta) (\sin \theta)^{2\lambda} d\theta < \infty, \quad \lambda = \lambda_{\kappa}.$$

Then for $f \in L^1(h^2_{\kappa})$ and all $x \in S^d$,

$$\sup_{x} |Q_r f(x)| \le c \mathcal{M}_{\kappa} f(x).$$

In particular, $Q_r f(x)$ converges to f(x) for almost every $x \in S^d$.

Proof. Define

$$\Lambda(\theta, x) = \int_0^\theta T_\phi^\kappa |f|(x) (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi.$$

It follows from the definition of $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa}f(x)$ and (2.11) that

$$\Lambda(\theta, x) \le \mathcal{M}_{\kappa} f(x) \int_{0}^{\theta} (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi$$

for all $x \in S^d$. By the definition of $T_{\theta}^{\kappa} f$ and the fact that $|T_{\theta}^{\kappa} f(x)| \leq T_{\theta}^{\kappa} |f|(x)$,

$$|Q_r f(x)| = c_{\lambda} \left| \int_0^{\pi} T_{\phi}^{\kappa} f(x) g_r(\cos \phi) (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi \right| \le c_{\lambda} \int_0^{\pi} T_{\phi}^{\kappa} |f|(x) m_r(\phi) (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi.$$

Integrating by parts, we obtain

$$|Q_r f(x)| \le c_{\lambda} \left[\Lambda(\pi, x) m_r(\pi) - \int_0^{\pi} \Lambda(\theta, x) m'_r(\theta) d\theta \right]$$

$$\le c_{\lambda} \mathcal{M}_{\kappa} f(x) \left[m_r(\pi) \int_0^{\pi} (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi - \int_0^{\pi} m'_r(\theta) \int_0^{\theta} (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda} d\phi d\theta \right],$$

since $m'_r(\cos \theta) \leq 0$. Integrating by parts again, we conclude that

$$|Q_r f(x)| \le \mathcal{M}_{\kappa} f(x) c_{\lambda} \int_0^{\pi} m_r(\theta) (\sin \theta)^{2\lambda} d\theta \le c \mathcal{M}_{\kappa} f(x),$$

where c is independent of r. This establishes the stated maximal inequality, from which the almost everywhere convergence of $Q_r f(x)$ follows as in the proof of Corollary 2.5.

Remark. From the proof it follows that we can replace the assumption on $m(\theta)$ by

$$\sup_{r} m_r(\pi) \le c \quad \text{and} \quad \sup_{r} c_{\lambda} \int_0^{\pi} |m'_r(\theta)| (\sin \theta)^{2\lambda} d\theta \le c.$$

We apply the above theorem to three summation methods for h-harmonic expansions. The first one is the analog of the Poisson integral defined by

$$P_r(f;x) = (f \star_{\kappa} q_r)(x), \qquad q_r(\cos \theta) = \frac{1 - r^2}{(1 - 2r\cos \theta + r^2)^{\lambda_{\kappa} + 1}}.$$

for $x \in S^d$ and r < 1. The kernel function of this integral is the Poisson kernel for the h-harmonics, which is equal to $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n P_n(h_{\kappa}^2; x, y)$. It is proved in [30] that $P_r(f; x)$ converges to f(x) in $L^p(h_{\kappa}^2)$ as $r \to 1-$.

Proposition 2.7. For $f \in L^1(h_{\kappa}^2)$,

$$\lim_{r \to 1^{-}} P_r(f, x) = f(x),$$
 a.e. on S^d .

Proof. Clearly $m_r(\theta) = q_r(\cos \theta) \ge 0$ and it is easy to see that $m'_r(\theta) \le 0$. Hence we can apply the theorem. In fact, in this case we have $|P_r(f,x)| \le \mathcal{M}_{\kappa} f(x)$. \square

Our second example is the de la Vallèe Poussin means defined by

(2.14)
$$M_n(f,x) := \sum_{k=0}^n \mu_{k,n}^{\lambda} Y_n(h_{\kappa}^2; f, x) = (f \star_{\kappa} q_n)(x)$$

where

$$\mu_{k,n}^{\lambda} = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!} \frac{\Gamma(n+2\lambda+1)}{\Gamma(n+k+2\lambda+1)}, \qquad \lambda = \lambda_{\kappa}.$$

Using the compact formula for the reproducing kernel and the formula for the Gegenbauer polynomials (see, for example, [1, p. 11]),

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{n!}{(n-k)!} \frac{\Gamma(n+\lambda+1/2)}{\Gamma(n+k+2\lambda+1)} \frac{k+\lambda}{\lambda} C_k^\lambda(t) = \frac{\Gamma(1/2)}{2^{2\lambda} \Gamma(\lambda+1)} \left(\frac{1+t}{2}\right)^n,$$

the kernel function is given by

$$q_n(\cos\theta) = \frac{(2\lambda+1)_n}{(\lambda+1/2)_n} \left(\frac{1+\cos\theta}{2}\right)^n = \frac{(2\lambda+1)_n}{(\lambda+1/2)_n} \left(\cos\frac{\theta}{2}\right)^{2n},$$

where $(a)_n = a(a+1)...(a+n-1)$. Clearly $m_n(\theta) = q_n(\cos \theta) \ge 0$ and it is easy to see that $m'_n(\theta) \le 0$. Hence, we can apply Theorem 2.6 to conclude that $M_n f(x)$ converges almost everywhere.

Proposition 2.8. For $f \in L^1(h_\kappa^2)$, the de la Vallée Poussin means $M_n f$ satisfy $\lim M_n(f,x) = f(x)$, a.e. on S^d .

For the ordinary harmonic expansions, this was proved in [6]. These means were introduced by de la Vallèe Poussin for Fourier series, and they have been extended to various other series, such as Gegenbauer series and Jacobi series. See [4, 6, 29] for further references.

Our third example is the Cesàro (C, δ) means. For $\delta > 0$, the Cesàro (C, δ) means, s_n^{δ} , of a sequence $\{c_n\}$ are defined by

$$s_n^{\delta} = (A_n^{\delta})^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^n A_{n-k}^{\delta} c_k, \qquad A_{n-k}^{\delta} = \binom{n-k+\delta}{n-k}.$$

We denote the *n*-th (C, δ) means of the *h*-harmonic expansion by $S_n^{\delta}(h_{\kappa}^2; f)$. These means can be written as

$$S_n^{\delta}(h_{\kappa}^2;f) = (f \star_{\kappa} q_n^{\delta})(x), \qquad q_n^{\delta}(t) = (A_n^{\delta})^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^n A_{n-k}^{\delta} \frac{(k+\lambda)}{\lambda} C_k^{\lambda}(t),$$

where $\lambda = \lambda_{\kappa}$. The function $q_n^{\delta}(t)$ is the kernel of the (C, δ) means of the Gegenbauer expansions at x = 1.

In both of the above examples, the kernel functions, $q_r(t)$, are positive and we can apply Theorem 2.6 with $m_r(\theta) = q_r(\cos \theta)$. The Cesàro (C, δ) means are positive if $\delta \geq 2\lambda + 1$. It is proved in [26] that, for h_{κ} associated with every reflection group, $S_n^{\delta}(h_{\kappa}^2; f)$ converges to f in $L^p(h_{\kappa}^2)$ if $\delta > \gamma_{\kappa} + (d-1)/2 = \lambda_{\kappa}$. Here we have

Proposition 2.9. For $f \in L^1(h_{\kappa}^2)$ and $\delta > \lambda_{\kappa}$, the Cesàro (C, δ) means satisfy $\lim_{n \to \infty} S_n^{\delta}(h_{\kappa}^2; f, x) = f(x)$, a.e. on S^d .

Proof. It is known that the kernel q_n^{δ} is bounded by

$$|q_n^{\delta}(\cos\theta)| \le c \begin{cases} n^{\lambda-\delta}(n^{-2} + \theta^2)^{(-\lambda-\delta-1)/2}, & \delta \le \lambda + 1\\ n^{-1}(n^{-2} + \theta^2)^{-\lambda-1}, & \delta \ge \lambda + 1 \end{cases}$$

(see, for example, [9]). Let $m_n(\theta)$ be the function in the right hand side of the above estimate. It is easy to see that $m'_n(\theta)$ is non-positive for $0 \le \theta \le \pi$. Furthermore, it is not hard to see that $\int_0^{\pi} m_n(\theta)(\sin \theta)^{2\lambda} d\theta$ is uniformly bounded. Consequently, we can apply Theorem 2.6 to finish the proof.

Let us mention that the index λ_{κ} may not be the critical index for the (C, δ) means. In fact, in the case of h_{κ} in (1.2) associated with \mathbb{Z}_2^{d+1} , it is proved in [18] that the (C, δ) means $S_n^{\delta}(h_{\kappa}^2; f)$ converges to f in $L^p(h_{\kappa}^2)$ if and only if $\delta > (d-1)/2 + \sum \kappa_i - \min_i \kappa_i$; that is, the critical index in the case of $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^{d+1}$ is $\lambda_{\kappa} - \min_i \kappa_i$. The above proposition shows that $S_n^{\delta}(h_{\kappa}^2; f)$ converges almost everywhere to f if $\delta > \lambda_{\kappa}$. Naturally, we expect that $\lambda_{\kappa} - \min_i \kappa_i$ is also the critical index for the almost everywhere convergence. However, our method does not seem to be enough to prove such a result.

3. Maximal function and almost everywhere convergence on \mathcal{B}^d

Recall the weight function $W_{\kappa,\mu}^B(x)$ defined in (1.4), in which h_{κ} is an reflection invariant weight function defined on \mathbb{R}^d . Let $a_{\kappa,\mu}$ denote the normalization constant for $W_{\kappa,\mu}^B$. Denote by $L^p(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B)$, $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, the space of measurable functions defined on B^d with the finite norm

$$||f||_{W_{\kappa,\mu}^B,p} := \left(a_{\kappa,\mu} \int_{B^d} |f(x)|^p W_{\kappa,\mu}^B(x) dx\right)^{1/p}, \qquad 1 \le p < \infty,$$

and for $p = \infty$ we assume that L^{∞} is replaced by $C(B^d)$, the space of continuous function on B^d .

Let $\mathcal{V}_n^d(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B)$ denote the space of orthogonal polynomials of degree n with respect to $W_{\kappa,\mu}^B$ on B^d . Elements of $\mathcal{V}_n^d(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B)$ are closely related to the h-harmonics associated with the weight function

$$h_{\kappa,\mu}(y_1,\ldots,y_{d+1}) = h_{\kappa}(y_1,\ldots,y_d)|y_{d+1}|^{\mu}$$

on \mathbb{R}^{d+1} , where h_{κ} is associated with the reflection group G. The function $h_{\kappa,\mu}$ is invariant under the group $G \times \mathbb{Z}_2$. Let Y_n be an h-harmonic polynomial of degree n associated to $h_{\kappa,\mu}$ and assume that Y_n is even in its (d+1)-th variable; that is, $Y_n(x, x_{d+1}) = Y_n(x, -x_{d+1})$. We can write

$$(3.1) \quad Y_n(y) = r^n P_n(x), \qquad y = r(x, x_{d+1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1}, \quad r = \|y\|, \quad (x, x_{d+1}) \in S^d,$$

in polar coordinates. Then P_n is an element of $\mathcal{V}_n^d(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B)$ and this relation is an one-to-one correspondence [27]. The intertwining operator associated with $h_{\kappa,\mu}$,

denoted by $V_{\kappa,\mu}$, is given in terms of the intertwining operator V_{κ} associated to h_{κ} and the operator $V_{\mu}^{\mathbb{Z}_2}$ associated to $h_{\mu}(x) = |x_{d+1}|^{\mu}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$, which is given explicitly by (2.4) (setting $\kappa_{d+1} = \mu$ and $\kappa_i = 0$ for $1 \leq i \leq d$). That is,

$$V_{\kappa,\mu}f(x,x_{d+1}) = c_{\mu} \int_{-1}^{1} V_{\kappa}[f(\cdot,x_{d+1}t)](x)(1+t)(1-t^{2})^{\mu-1}dt,$$

where $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$. Since polynomials in $\mathcal{V}_n^d(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B)$ correspond to h-harmonics that are even in the last coordinates, we introduce a modified operator

(3.2)
$$V_{\kappa,\mu}^{B} f(x, x_{d+1}) := \frac{1}{2} \left[V_{\kappa,\mu} f(x, x_{d+1}) + V_{\kappa,\mu} f(x, -x_{d+1}) \right]$$
$$= c_{\mu} \int_{-1}^{1} V_{\kappa} [f(\cdot, x_{d+1}t)](x) (1 - t^{2})^{\mu - 1} dt$$

acting on functions defined on \mathbb{R}^{d+1} . We use this operator to define a convolution structure, $\star_{\kappa,\mu}^B$, for weight $W_{\kappa,\mu}^B$ on B^d .

Definition 3.1. For $f \in L^1(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B)$ and $g \in L^1(w_{\lambda+\mu})$, define

$$(f \star_{\kappa,\mu}^B g)(x) = a_{\kappa,\mu} \int_{B^d} f(x) V_{\kappa,\mu}^B g(\langle X, \cdot \rangle)(Y) W_{\kappa,\mu}^B(y) dy,$$

where
$$\lambda = \lambda_{\kappa}$$
, $X = (x, \sqrt{1 - ||x||^2})$ and $Y = (y, \sqrt{1 - ||y||^2})$.

The properties of this convolution can be derived from the corresponding convolution $f \star_{\kappa,\mu} g$ defined in (2.12) (with respect to $h_{\kappa,\mu}$ instead of h_{κ}). In fact, we have the following proposition.

Proposition 3.2. For $f \in L^1(W^B_{\kappa,\mu})$ and $g \in L^1(w_{\lambda+\mu})$,

$$(f \star_{\kappa,\mu}^B g)(x) = (F \star_{\kappa,\mu} g)(x, \sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2}), \qquad F(x, x_{d+1}) = f(x).$$

Proof. Using the elementary identity for P defined on S^d ,

$$(3.3) \quad \int_{S^d} P(y) d\omega = \int_{B^d} \left[P(x, \sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2}) + P(x, -\sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2}) \right] \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2}},$$

this is an easy consequence of the equation (3.2).

In particular, the above relation and Proposition 2.2 in [30] shows that $f \star_{\kappa,\mu}^B g$ satisfies Young's inequality:

Proposition 3.3. Let $p, q, r \ge 1$ and $p^{-1} = r^{-1} + q^{-1} - 1$. For $f \in L^q(W_{\kappa, \mu}^B)$ and $g \in L^r(w_{\lambda + \mu}; [-1, 1])$,

$$||f \star_{\kappa,\mu} g||_{W^B_{\kappa,\mu},p} \le ||f||_{W^B_{\kappa,\mu},q} ||g||_{w_{\lambda+\mu},r},$$

where $\|\cdot\|_{w_{\lambda+\mu},r}$ denotes the $L^r(w_{\lambda+\mu},[-1,1])$ norm.

We now define the generalized translation operator on B^d , which is an analog of the spherical means. It is defined implicitly via the convolution.

Definition 3.4. For $f \in L^1(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B)$, the generalized translation operator $T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B; f)$ is defined implicitly by

$$(3.4) c_{\lambda+\mu} \int_0^{\pi} T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B; f, x) g(\cos \theta) (\sin \theta)^{2\lambda+2\mu} d\theta = (f \star_{\kappa,\mu}^B g)(x).$$

where $\lambda = \lambda_{\kappa}$, for every $g \in L^1(w_{\lambda + \mu})$.

For $F \in L^1(h^2_{\kappa,\mu})$, denote by $T^{\kappa,\mu}_{\theta}F$ the weighted spherical means associated with the weight function $h_{\kappa,\mu}$ on S^{d+1} .

Proposition 3.5. For each $x \in B^d$ the operator $T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B; f, x)$ is a uniquely determined $L^{\infty}(w_{\lambda})$ function in θ . Furthermore, define $F(x, x_{d+1}) = f(x)$; then

(3.5)
$$T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^{B}; f, x) = T_{\theta}^{\kappa,\mu} F(X), \qquad X = (x, \sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2}), \quad x \in B^d.$$

Proof. For $x \in B^d$ and $(x, x_{d+1}) \in S^d$, using (3.2) and the fact that $F(y, y_{d+1}) = f(y)$ and $h_{\kappa,\mu}^2(y, y_{d+1})$ are both even in y_{d+1} , it follows from Proposition 3.2 and the definition of $T_{\theta}^{\kappa,\mu}$ in Definition 2.1 that

$$(f \star_{\kappa,\mu}^{B} g)(x) = a_{\kappa,\mu} \int_{S^{d}} F(u) V_{\kappa,\mu} g(\langle X, \cdot \rangle)(u) h_{\kappa,\mu}^{2}(u) d\omega$$
$$= c_{\lambda+\mu} \int_{0}^{\pi} T_{\theta}^{\kappa,\mu} F(x, x_{d+1}) g(\cos \theta) (\sin \theta)^{2\lambda+2\mu} d\theta.$$

Comparing with the equation (3.4) gives (3.5). It follows from (3.5) and the property of $T_{\theta}^{\kappa,\mu}$ that $T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B;f)$ is an $L^{\infty}(w_{\lambda})$ function and it is uniquely defined. \square

The properties of $T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B; f, x)$ can be derived from those of $T_{\theta}^{\kappa,\mu}f$ proved in [30]. In particular, it will allows us to define a modulus of smoothness. Since it will not be used below, we will not go into that direction here.

We now turn our attention to the main focus of this paper, the almost everywhere convergence. First we define the corresponding maximal function.

Definition 3.6. For $f \in L^1(W^B_{\kappa,\mu})$, the maximal function $\mathcal{M}^B_{\kappa,\mu}f$ is defined by

$$\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^B f(x) = \sup_{0 \le \theta \le \pi} \frac{\int_0^\theta T_\phi(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B; |f|, x) (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda_\kappa + 2\mu} d\phi}{\int_0^\theta (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda_\kappa + 2\mu} d\phi}.$$

Since $T_{\phi}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B; f)$ is related to $T_{\theta}^{\kappa,\mu}F$, the maximal function $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^B f$ should be related to $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}f$ defined in Definition 2.2 with respect to $h_{\kappa,\mu}$.

Proposition 3.7. For $f \in L^1(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B)$ define $F(x,x_{d+1}) = f(x)$. Then

(3.6)
$$\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^{B} f(x) = \mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu} F(X), \qquad X = (x, \sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2}).$$

Furthermore, define

$$e(x,\theta) = \{(y,y_{d+1}) \in B^{d+1} : \langle x,y \rangle + \sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2} y_{d+1} \ge \cos \theta, \quad y_{d+1} \ge 0\},\$$

then an alternative formula for $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^B f$ is

$$\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^{B} f(x) = \sup_{0 \le \theta \le \pi} \frac{\int_{B^d} |f(y)| V_{\kappa,\mu}^{B} \left[\chi_{e(x,\theta)} \right] (Y) W_{\kappa,\mu}^{B} (y) dy}{\int_{B^d} V_{\kappa,\mu}^{B} \left[\chi_{e(x,\theta)} \right] (Y) W_{\kappa,\mu}^{B} (y) dy}.$$

Proof. The first equation is a direct consequence of the Proposition 3.5 and the definitions of the two maximal functions. To prove the second equation, by (3.6) and Proposition 2.3, it suffices to show

$$\int_{S^d} |F(u)| V_{\kappa,\mu} \left[\chi_{c(X,\theta)} \right] (u) h_{\kappa,\mu}^2(u) d\omega(u) = 2 \int_{B^d} |f(y)| V_{\kappa,\mu}^B \left[\chi_{e(x,\theta)} \right] (Y) W_{\kappa,\mu}^B(y) dy,$$

where $c(X, \theta) = \{(y, y_{d+1}) : \langle x, y \rangle + \sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2} y_{d+1} \ge \cos \theta \}$. By (3.2) and (3.3), it suffices to show

$$V_{\kappa,\mu}^{B} \left[\chi_{c(X,\theta)} \right] (y, \sqrt{1 - \|y\|^2}) = 2V_{\kappa,\mu}^{B} \left[\chi_{e(x,\theta)} \right] (y, \sqrt{1 - \|y\|^2}).$$

Let $e_-(x,\sigma) = \{(y,y_{d+1}) : (y,-y_{d+1}) \in e(x,\sigma)\}$. By the definition of $V_{\kappa,\mu}^B$, it is easy to see that

$$V_{\kappa,\mu}^{B}\left[\chi_{e_{-}\left(x,\theta\right)}\right]\left(y,y_{d+1}\right)=V_{\kappa,\mu}^{B}\left[\chi_{e\left(x,\theta\right)}\right]\left(y,-y_{d+1}\right).$$

Since $c(X,\theta) = e(x,\theta) \cup e_{-}(x,\theta)$ and $e(x,\theta) \cap e_{-}(x,\theta)$ has measure zero, the desired equation follows from the fact that $\mathcal{V}_{\kappa,\mu}^B f(x,x_{d+1})$ is an even function in x_{d+1} . \square

It should be mentioned that one could define $M_{\kappa,\mu}^B f$ by (3.6) without introducing $T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B; f)$. We choose the longer way for the purpose of studying the situation on the simplex in the next section, where $T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B; f)$ is needed.

We note that the upper hemisphere $S^d_{upper} = \{x : ||x|| = 1, x_{d+1} \ge 0\}$ is isomorphic to the unit ball B^d , since points in S^d_{upper} can be written as $(x, \sqrt{1 - ||x||^2})$ with $x \in B^d$. In particular, if E is a set in S^d_{upper} , then it is isomorphic to the set $c_B(\sigma) = \{y \in B^d : (y, y_{d+1} \in c(\sigma))\}$ in B^d .

Theorem 3.8. Let $\sigma > 0$ and $f \in L^1(W^B_{\kappa,\mu})$. Define $c_B(\sigma) = \{x \in B^d : \mathcal{M}^B_{\kappa,\mu}f(x) \geq \sigma\}$. Then there is a function w^B_{σ} which is positive on $c_B(\sigma)$ such that

$$\int_{B^d} \chi_{c_B(\sigma)}(x) w_{\sigma}(x) \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2}} \le c \frac{\|f\|_{W_{\kappa,\mu}^B,1}}{\sigma}.$$

Proof. Let $F(x,x_{d+1})=f(x)$ as before. By (3.6), $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^B f(x)=\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}F(X)$, where $X=(x,\sqrt{1-\|x\|^2})$, and the proof of Proposition 3.7 also shows that $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^B f(x)=\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}F(X_-)$, where $X_-=(x,-\sqrt{1-\|x\|^2})$. Let $c(\sigma)=\{(x,x_{d+1}):\mathcal{M}_{\kappa}F(x,x_{d+1})\geq\sigma\}$ for $(x,x_{d+1})\in S^d$. It follows that $\chi_{c_B(\sigma)}(x)=\chi_{c(\sigma)}(X)$ and $\chi_{c_B(\sigma)}(x)=\chi_{c(\sigma)}(-X)$. Let w_σ be a function that is positive on $c(\sigma)$. We define $w_\sigma^B(x)=w_\sigma(X)+w_\sigma(X_-)$. Then w_σ is positive on $c_B(\sigma)$. Hence, using (3.3) and the inequality with respect to $h_{\kappa,\mu}^2$ in Theorem 2.4, we get

$$\int_{B^d} \chi_{c_B(\sigma)}(x) w_{\sigma}^B(x) \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2}} = \int_{S^d} \chi_{c_B(\sigma)}(x) w_{\sigma}(x, x_{d+1}) d\omega(x, x_{d+1})$$

$$= \int_{S^d} \chi_{c(\sigma)}(y) w_{\sigma}(y) d\omega(y)$$

$$\leq c \sigma \frac{\|f\|_{\kappa, \mu, 1}}{\sigma} = c \sigma \frac{\|f\|_{W_{\kappa, \mu}^B, 1}}{\sigma},$$

which completes the proof.

Just as in the case of the sphere, the weak type inequality of the maximal function $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^B f$ allows us to prove results on almost everywhere convergence for summation methods of orthogonal expansions with respect to $W_{\kappa,\mu}^B$ on the unit ball.

For $f \in L^2(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B)$, its orthogonal expansion is given by

$$L^2(W^B_{\kappa,\mu}) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty \bigoplus \mathcal{V}^d_n(W^B_{\kappa,\mu}): \qquad f = \sum_{n=0}^\infty \operatorname{proj}_n^{\kappa,\mu} f,$$

where $\operatorname{proj}_n^{\kappa,\mu}:L^2(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B)\mapsto \mathcal{V}_n^d(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B)$ is the projection operator, which can be written as an integral

$$\operatorname{proj}_{n}^{\kappa,\mu} f(x) = a_{\kappa,\mu} \int_{B^{d}} f(y) P_{n}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^{B}; x, y) W_{\kappa,\mu}^{B}(y) dy,$$

where $P_n(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B; x, y)$ is the reproducing kernel of $\mathcal{V}_n^d(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B)$. It is known ([27]) that

$$P_n(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B; x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \Big[Y_n \left(h_{\kappa,\mu}^2; (x, \sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2}), (y, \sqrt{1 - \|y\|^2}) \right) + Y_n \left(h_{\kappa,\mu}^2; (x, \sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2}), (y, -\sqrt{1 - \|y\|^2}) \right) \Big],$$

Because of (2.2) and (3.2), we have

(3.7)
$$P_n(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B; f, x) = \frac{n + \lambda_{\kappa} + \mu}{\lambda_{\kappa} + \mu} V_{\kappa,\mu}^B[C_n^{\lambda_{\kappa} + \mu}(\langle \cdot, Y \rangle)](X),$$

where $X = (x, \sqrt{1 - ||x||^2})$ and $Y = (y, \sqrt{1 - ||y||^2})$. Hence, a summation method of the orthogonal expansions with respect to $W_{\kappa,\mu}^B$ can be written in the form of

$$Q_r^B f(x) = (f \star_{\kappa,\mu}^B q_r)(x), \qquad q_r(t) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j(r) \frac{j + \lambda_{\kappa} + \mu}{\lambda_{\kappa} + \mu} C_j^{\lambda_{\kappa} + \mu}(t).$$

The almost everywhere convergence of $Q_r^B f(x)$ can be proved with the help of $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^B f(x)$, just as in the case of summability on the sphere. For example, there is an analog of Corollary 2.5. Indeed, let

$$f_{\theta}^{B}(x) = \frac{\int_{0}^{\theta} T_{\phi}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^{B}; f, x)(\sin \phi)^{2\lambda_{\kappa} + 2\mu} d\phi}{\int_{0}^{\theta} (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda_{\kappa} + 2\mu} d\phi}, \qquad x \in B^{d};$$

then it is easy to see that $f_{\theta}^{B}(x) = F_{\theta}(X)$, where F and X are defined in Proposition 3.7. Consequently, by Corollary 2.5, f_{θ}^{B} converges almost everywhere to f on B^{d} for all $f \in L^{1}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^{B})$. Moreover, we have the following analog of Theorem 2.6.

Theorem 3.9. Assume that $|q_r(\cos \theta)| \le m_r(\theta)$ for some nonnegative differentiable function m_r on $[0, \pi]$ and m_r satisfies

(1)
$$m'_r(\theta) \leq 0$$
 for $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$,

(2)
$$\sup_{r} c_{\lambda} \int_{0}^{\pi} m_{r}(\theta) (\sin \theta)^{2\lambda + 2\mu} d\theta < \infty, \quad \lambda = \lambda_{\kappa}.$$

Then for $f \in L^1(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B)$ and all $x \in B^d$,

$$\sup |Q_r^B f(x)| \le c \mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^B f(x).$$

In particular, $Q_r^B f(x)$ converges to f(x) for almost every $x \in B^d$.

Proof. Using (3.2) and (3.3), it is easy to see that $Q_r^B f(x) = Q_r F(x)$, where Q_r is as in (2.13) with $h_{\kappa,\mu}$ in place of h_{κ} . Hence, this is a corollary of Theorem 2.6. \square

We can apply this theorem to various summation methods. For example, we can consider $P_r^B(f;x) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n P_n(W_{\kappa,\mu};f)$ as $r \mapsto 1-$, which can be written as a Poisson type integral,

$$P_r^B(f;x) = a_{\kappa,\mu} \int_{B^d} f(y) V_{\kappa,\mu}^B \left[\frac{1-r^2}{(1-r\langle \cdot,Y\rangle + r^2)^{\lambda+1}} \right] (X) W_{\kappa,\mu}^B(x) dx.$$

Proposition 3.10. For $f \in L^1(W^B_{\kappa,\mu})$, the Poisson summation with respect to $W^B_{\kappa,\mu}$ satisfies

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} P_r^B(f; x) = f(x), \quad a.e. \text{ on } B^d.$$

The de la Vallèe Poussin means and the Cesàro means are defined for orthogonal expansions with respect to $W^B_{\kappa,\mu}$ just like the case of h-harmonics on the sphere. Our result shows that they converge almost everywhere on B^d ($\delta > \lambda_{\kappa} + \mu$ for the Cesàro (C,δ) means). For d=1 and $h_{\kappa}(x)=1$, the expansions with respect to $W^B_{\kappa,\mu}$ become the expansions in the Gegenbauer polynomials.

4. Maximal function and almost everywhere convergence on T^d

Recall the weight function $W_{\kappa,\mu}^T(x)$ defined in (1.5), in which h_{κ} is a reflection invariant weight function defined on \mathbb{R}^d and h_{κ} is even in each of its variables. The latter condition means that the group G, under which h_{κ} is invariant, has the abilian group \mathbb{Z}_2^d as a subgroup. The definition of $L^p(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T)$, $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, is similar to the case of $W_{\kappa,\mu}^B$. Similarly, the notions such as the space of orthogonal polynomials $\mathcal{V}_n^d(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T)$ and the reproducing kernel $P_n(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T;x,y)$ are defined as in the case of $W_{\kappa,\mu}^B$.

Elements of $\mathcal{V}_n^d(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T)$ are closely related to the polynomials in $\mathcal{V}_{2n}^d(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B)$. Let us denote by ψ the mapping

$$\psi: (x_1, \dots, x_d) \in T^d \mapsto (x_1^2, \dots, x_d^2) \in B^d$$

and define $(f \circ \psi)(x_1, \dots, x_d) = f(x_1^2, \dots, x_d^2)$. Then

$$(4.1) P_{2n}(x) = (R_n \circ \psi)(x), x \in B^d,$$

is a one-to-one mapping between $R_n \in \mathcal{V}_n^d(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T)$ and $P_{2n} \in \mathcal{V}_{2n}^d(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B; \mathbb{Z}_2^d)$, the subspace of polynomials in $\mathcal{V}_{2n}^d(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B)$ that are even in each of its variables (invariant under \mathbb{Z}_2^d). This relation implies, in particular, that the reproducing kernel $P_n(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; x, y)$ of $\mathcal{V}_n^d(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T)$ satisfies ([28])

$$(4.2) P_n(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; x, y) = \frac{1}{2^d} \sum_{\varepsilon \in \mathbb{Z}_2^d} P_{2n} \left(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B; x^{1/2}, \varepsilon y^{1/2} \right),$$

where $x^{1/2} = (\sqrt{x_1}, \dots, \sqrt{x_d})$ and $\varepsilon u = (\varepsilon_1 u_1, \dots \varepsilon_d u_d)$. Using the fact that

$$\frac{2n+\lambda}{\lambda}C_{2n}^{\lambda}(t) = p_n^{(\lambda-1/2,-1/2)}(1)p_n^{(\lambda-1/2,-1/2)}(2t^2-1),$$

where $p_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}$ denotes the orthonormal Jacobi polynomial of degree n, it follows from (2.2) and (4.2) that

$$P_{n}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^{T}; x, y) = p_{n}^{(\lambda_{\kappa} + \mu - \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2})} (1)$$

$$\times \frac{1}{2^{d}} \sum_{\varepsilon \in \mathbb{Z}_{2}^{d}} V_{\kappa,\mu}^{B} [p_{n}^{(\lambda_{\kappa} + \mu - \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2})} (2\langle \cdot, \varepsilon Y^{1/2} \rangle^{2} - 1)] (X^{1/2}),$$

where $X^{1/2} = (\sqrt{x_1}, \dots, \sqrt{x_d}, \sqrt{1-|x|})$ and $\varepsilon Y^{1/2}(\varepsilon_1 \sqrt{x_1}, \dots, \varepsilon_d \sqrt{x_d}, \sqrt{1-|x|})$. This formula suggests the following definition of a useful operator, $V_{\kappa,\mu}^T$, acting on functions of d+1 variables,

$$(4.3) V_{\kappa,\mu}^T F(x, x_{d+1}) = \frac{1}{2^d} \sum_{\varepsilon \in \mathbb{Z}_d^d} V_{\kappa,\mu}^B F(\varepsilon x, x_{d+1}).$$

We use this operator to define a convolution operator on T^d :

Definition 4.1. For $f \in L^1(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T)$ and $g \in L^1(w_{\lambda+\mu}; [-1,1])$, we define

$$(f \star_{\kappa,\mu}^T g)(x) = a_{\kappa,\mu} \int_{T^d} f(y) V_{\kappa,\mu}^T \left[g \left(2 \langle X^{1/2}, \cdot \rangle^2 - 1 \right) \right] (Y^{1/2}) W_{\kappa,\mu}^T(y) dy,$$

where
$$X^{1/2} = \left(\sqrt{x_1}, \dots, \sqrt{x_d}, \sqrt{1-|x|}\right)$$
.

Recall that $|x| = x_1 + \ldots + x_d$. Evidently, $f \star_{\kappa,\mu}^T g$ is related to the convolution structure $f \star_{\kappa,\mu}^B g$ on B^d . In fact, we have the following:

Proposition 4.2. For $f \in L^1(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T)$ and $g \in L^1(w_{\lambda+\mu}; [-1,1])$,

$$\left(\left(f \star_{\kappa,\mu}^T g \right) \circ \psi \right) (x) = \left(\left(f \circ \psi \right) \star_{\kappa,\mu}^B g (2\{\cdot\}^2 - 1) \right) (x).$$

Proof. Using the elementary integral

(4.4)
$$\int_{B^d} f(x_1^2, \dots, x_d^2) dx = \int_{T^d} f(x_1, \dots, x_d) \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x_1 \cdots x_d}}$$

it is easy to see that $f \in L^1(W^T_{\kappa,\mu})$ implies $f \circ \psi \in L^1(W^B_{\kappa,\mu})$. Furthermore, the equation (4.4) implies that

$$(f \star_{\kappa,\mu}^{T} g)(x_1^2, \dots, x_d^2) = a_{\kappa,\mu} \int_{B^d} (f \circ \psi)(y) V_{\kappa,\mu}^{T} \left[g \left(2\langle X, \cdot \rangle^2 - 1 \right) \right] (Y) W_{\kappa,\mu}^{B}(y) dy$$
$$= a_{\kappa,\mu} \int_{B^d} (f \circ \psi)(y) \frac{1}{2^d} \sum_{\varepsilon \in \mathbb{Z}_2^d} V_{\kappa,\mu}^{B} \left[g \left(2\langle X, \cdot \rangle^2 - 1 \right) \right] (\varepsilon Y) W_{\kappa,\mu}^{B}(y) dy,$$

where $\varepsilon Y = (\varepsilon_1 y_1, \dots \varepsilon_d y_d, 1 - |y|)$. Since $W_{\kappa,\mu}^B(y)$ is even in each of its variables, changing variables $y_i \mapsto \varepsilon_i y_i$ shows that the summation can be removed from the above formula.

Next we define the generalized translation operator associated with $W^T_{\kappa,\mu}$ on the simplex. It is again defined implicitly.

Definition 4.3. For $f \in L^1(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T)$, the generalized translation operator $T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; f)$ is defined implicitly by

$$(4.5) c_{\lambda+\mu} \int_0^{\pi} T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; f, x) g(\cos 2\theta) (\sin \theta)^{2\lambda+2\mu} d\theta = (f \star_{\kappa,\mu}^T g)(x),$$

where $\lambda = \lambda_{\kappa}$, for every $g \in L^1(w_{\lambda+\mu})$.

The following proposition shows that the generalized translation operator on T^d is closely related to the one on B^d , and it also shows that the operator $T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; f)$ is well-defined.

Proposition 4.4. For each $x \in T^d$, the operator $T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; f, x)$ is a uniquely determined L^{∞} function in θ . Furthermore,

$$(4.6) \qquad \left(T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; f) \circ \psi\right)(x) = T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^B; f \circ \psi, x), \qquad x \in T^d.$$

Proof. From the previous proposition, we get

$$((f \circ \psi) \star_{\kappa,\mu}^{B} g(2\{\cdot\}^{2} - 1))(x) = (f \star_{\kappa,\mu}^{T} g)(x_{1}^{2}, \dots, x_{d}^{2})$$
$$= c_{\lambda+\mu} \int_{0}^{\pi} T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^{T}; f, x_{1}^{2}, \dots, x_{d}^{2}) g(\cos 2\theta)(\sin \theta)^{2\lambda+2\mu} d\theta.$$

Since $\cos 2\theta = 2\cos^2 \theta - 1$, it follows that

$$\left((f \circ \psi) \star_{\kappa,\mu}^B g \right)(x) = c_{\lambda+\mu} \int_0^{\pi} T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; f, x_1^2, \dots, x_d^2) g(\cos \theta) (\sin \theta)^{2\lambda+2\mu} d\theta.$$

Comparing with the definition of $T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; f)$ in (3.4), the equation (4.6) follows. This also shows that $T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; f)$ is uniquely defined.

We use the generalized translation operator to define the maximal function associated to $W_{\kappa,\mu}^T$.

Definition 4.5. For $f \in L^1(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T)$, the maximal function $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^T f$ is defined by

$$\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^T f(x) = \sup_{0 \le \theta \le \pi} \frac{\int_0^\theta T_\phi(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; |f|, x) (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda_\kappa + 2\mu} d\phi}{\int_0^\theta (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda_\kappa + 2\mu} d\phi}.$$

This maximal function is closely related to the maximal function on B^d defined in Definition 3.6. Recall that $Y^{1/2} = (\sqrt{y_1}, \dots, \sqrt{y_d}, \sqrt{1-|y|})$ for $y \in T^d$.

Proposition 4.6. For $f \in L^1(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T)$,

(4.7)
$$(\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^T f) \circ \psi = \mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^B (f \circ \psi).$$

Furthermore, define a subset of B^{d+1} ,

$$e^+(x,\theta) = \{(y,y_{d+1}) : \langle x^{1/2}, y \rangle + \sqrt{1-|x|} y_{d+1} \ge \cos \theta, \ y_i \ge 0, \ 1 \le i \le d+1\},$$

then an alternative formula for $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^T f$ is

$$\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^{T} f(x) = \sup_{0 \le \theta \le \pi} \frac{\int_{T^{d}} |f(y)| V_{\kappa,\mu}^{T} \left[\chi_{e^{+}(x,\theta)} \right] (Y^{1/2}) W_{\kappa,\mu}^{T}(y) dy}{\int_{T^{d}} V_{\kappa,\mu}^{T} \left[\chi_{e^{+}(x,\theta)} \right] (Y^{1/2}) W_{\kappa,\mu}^{T}(y) dy}$$

for $x \in T^d$.

Proof. The equation (4.7) is a simple consequence of (4.6). Recall the definition of $e(x,\theta)$ in the Proposition 3.7. In order to prove the alternative formula for $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^T f$, it is sufficient to establish that

$$\int_{B^d} |f \circ \psi|(y) V_{\kappa,\mu}^B \left[\chi_{e(x,\theta)} \right] (Y) W_{\kappa,\mu}^B(y) dy$$

$$= 2^d \int_{T^d} |f(y)| V_{\kappa,\mu}^T [\chi_{e^+(x^2,\theta)}] (Y^{1/2}) W_{\kappa,\mu}^T(y) dy,$$

where $Y=(y,\sqrt{1-\|y\|^2})$ and $x^2=\psi(x)=(x_1^2,\ldots,x_d^2).$ We first notice that it is easy to see

$$e(x, \theta) = \bigcup_{\varepsilon \in \mathbb{Z}_2^d} e^+(\varepsilon x^2, \theta)$$

=
$$\bigcup_{\varepsilon \in \mathbb{Z}_2^d} \{ (y, y_{d+1}) : \langle \varepsilon x, y \rangle + \sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2} y_{d+1} \ge \cos \theta, \ y_i \ge 0, \ 1 \le i \le d+1 \},$$

and the intersection of two sets $e^+(\varepsilon x^2, \theta)$ and $e^+(\varepsilon' x^2, \theta)$, where $\varepsilon \neq \varepsilon'$, has measure zero. In particular, this implies that

$$\chi_{e(x,\theta)}(u) = \sum_{\epsilon \in \mathbb{Z}_2^d} \chi_{e^+(\epsilon x^2,\theta)}(u)$$

for almost all u. Recall that V_{κ} is associated with the group G which has \mathbb{Z}_2^d as a subgroup and that V_{κ} satisfies $R(\sigma)V_{\kappa} = V_{\kappa}R(\sigma)$, where $R(\sigma)f(x) := f(\sigma x)$, for every $\sigma \in G$, which holds, in particular, for $\sigma = \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Z}_2^d$. Hence, using (3.2), we see that,

$$(4.8) V_{\kappa,\mu}^{B} \left[\chi_{e^{+}(\varepsilon x^{2},\theta)} \right] (y,y_{d+1}) = V_{\kappa,\mu}^{B} \left[\chi_{e^{+}(x^{2},\theta)} \right] (\varepsilon y,y_{d+1}).$$

Consequently, we get

$$\int_{B^d} |(f \circ \psi)(y)| V_{\kappa,\mu}^B \left[\chi_{e(x,\theta)} \right] (Y) W_{\kappa,\mu}^B (y) dy$$

$$= \int_{B^d} |(f \circ \psi)(y)| V_{\kappa,\mu}^B \left[\sum_{\varepsilon \in \mathbb{Z}_2^d} \chi_{e^+(\varepsilon x^2,\theta)} (Y) \right] W_{\kappa,\mu}^B (y) dy$$

$$= \int_{B^d} |(f \circ \psi)(y)| \sum_{\varepsilon \in \mathbb{Z}_2^d} V_{\kappa,\mu}^B \left[\chi_{e^+(x^2,\theta)} \right] (\varepsilon Y) W_{\kappa,\mu}^B (y) dy,$$

where $\varepsilon Y = (\varepsilon y, \sqrt{1 - ||y||^2})$. The sum in the last integral is even in each of its variables, which allows us to use (4.4) to get that the above integral is equal to

$$\int_{T^d} |(f \circ \psi)(y)| \sum_{\varepsilon \in \mathbb{Z}_2^d} V_{\kappa,\mu}^B \left[\chi_{e^+(x^2,\theta)}(\varepsilon Y^{1/2}) \right] W_{\kappa,\mu}^T(y) dy,$$

from which the desired result follows from the definition of $V_{\kappa,\mu}^T$ in (4.3).

Theorem 4.7. Let $\sigma > 0$ and $f \in L^1(W^T_{\kappa,\mu})$. Define $c_T(\sigma) = \{x \in T^d : \mathcal{M}^T_{\kappa,\mu}f(x) \geq \sigma\}$. Then there is a function w^T_{σ} which is positive on $c_T(\sigma)$ such that

$$\int_{T^d} \chi_{e_T(\sigma)}(x) w_{\sigma}^T(x) \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x_1 \cdots x_d(1-|x|)}} \le c \frac{\|f\|_{W_{\kappa,\mu}^T,1}}{\sigma}.$$

Proof. Let $c_B(\sigma) = \{x \in B^d : \mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^B(f \circ \psi)(x) \geq \sigma\}$. Using $(\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^T f) \circ \psi = \mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^B(f \circ \psi)$, we see that $\chi_{c^T(\sigma)}(x^2) = \chi_{c^B(\sigma)}(x)$. Define $w_{\sigma}^B = w_{\sigma}^T \circ \psi$. Using (4.4), we get

$$\int_{T^d} \chi_{c_T(\sigma)}(x) w_{\sigma}^T(x) \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x_1 \cdots x_d (1-|x|)}} = \int_{B^d} \chi_{c_T(\sigma)}(x^2) w_{\sigma}^T(x^2) \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-|x||^2}}
= \int_{B^d} \chi_{c_B(\sigma)}(x) w_{\sigma}^B(x) \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-|x||^2}}
\leq c \frac{\|f \circ \psi\|_{W_{\kappa,\mu}^B,1}}{\sigma} = c \frac{\|f\|_{W_{\kappa,\mu}^T,1}}{\sigma},$$

where we have used the inequality in Theorem 3.8

Again, the weak type inequality of the maximal function $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^T f$ can be used to prove almost everywhere convergence. In particular, an analog of Corollary 2.5 holds for

$$f_{\theta}^{T}(x) = \frac{\int_{T^{d}} f(y) V_{\kappa,\mu}^{T} \left[\chi_{e^{+}(x,\theta)} \right] (Y^{1/2}) W_{\kappa,\mu}^{T}(y) dy}{\int_{T^{d}} V_{\kappa,\mu}^{T} \left[\chi_{e^{+}(x,\theta)} \right] (Y^{1/2}) W_{\kappa,\mu}^{T}(y) dy};$$

that is, $f_{\theta}^T(x)$ converges almost everywhere to f(x) on T^d as $\theta \to 0$ for all $f \in L^1(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T)$. Indeed, the proof of Proposition 4.6 shows that $f_{\theta}^T \circ \psi = (f \circ \psi)_{\theta}^B$, so that the result follows from the almost everywhere convergence of $f_{\theta}^B f$ on B^d .

We denote also by $\operatorname{proj}_{n}^{\kappa,\mu}: L^{2}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^{T}) \mapsto \mathcal{V}_{n}^{d}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^{T})$ the orthogonal projection operator. For $f \in L^{2}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^{T})$, it can be written as an integral

$$\operatorname{proj}_{n}^{\kappa,\mu} f(x) = a_{\kappa,\mu} \int_{T^{d}} f(y) P_{n}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^{T}; x, y) W_{\kappa,\mu}^{T}(y) dy,$$

using the reproducing kernel of $\mathcal{V}_n^d(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T)$ given in (4.2). Using the operator $V_{\kappa,\mu}^T$, the reproducing kernel can be written as

$$P_n(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T;x,y) = p_n^{(\lambda_\kappa + \mu - \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2})}(1)V_{\kappa,\mu}^T \left[p_n^{(\lambda_\kappa + \mu - \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2})}(2\langle \cdot, Y^{1/2} \rangle^2 - 1) \right] (X^{1/2}),$$

where $X^{1/2}=(\sqrt{x_1},\ldots,\sqrt{x_d},\sqrt{1-|x|})$. The summation method of the orthogonal expansions with respect to $W^T_{\kappa,\mu}$ can be written in the form of

$$Q_r^T f(x) = (f \star_{\kappa,\mu}^T q_r)(x), \qquad x \in T^d,$$

where $q_r(t)$ has an expansion in terms of the Jacobi polynomials

$$g_r(t) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j(r) p_j^{(\lambda_{\kappa} + \mu - \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2})} (1) p_j^{(\lambda_{\kappa} + \mu - \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2})} (t).$$

The almost everywhere convergence of $Q_r^T f(x)$ can be proved with the help of $\mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^T f(x)$, just as in the case of summability on the sphere.

Let us point, however, that $Q_r^T f(x)$ is not directly related to $Q_r^B f(x)$, since the kernel of $Q_r^T f$ is expanded into the Jacobi series, while the kernel of $Q_r^B f$ is expanded into the Gegenbauer series. The quadratic transformation between $P_n^{(\lambda-1/2,-1/2)}(2t^2-1)$ and $C_{2n}^{\lambda}(t)$ does not preserve the summability. Consequently, the convergence of $Q_r^T f(x)$ will not follow as a consequence of the convergence of Q_r^B . In fact, this is precisely the reason why we have taken the steps to define $T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T;f)$. Since we have developed all necessary intermediate steps, an analog of Theorem 2.6 can be proved.

Theorem 4.8. Assume that $|q_r(\cos \theta)| \le m_r(\theta)$ for some nonnegative differentiable function m_r on $[0, \pi]$ and m_r satisfies

(1)
$$m'_r(\theta) \leq 0$$
 for $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$,

(2)
$$\sup_{r} c_{\lambda+\mu} \int_{0}^{\pi} m_{r}(\theta) (\sin \theta)^{2\lambda+2\mu} d\theta < \infty.$$

Then for $f \in L^1(W^B_{\kappa,\mu})$ and all $x \in B^d$,

$$\sup_{r} |Q_r^T f(x)| \le c \mathcal{M}_{\kappa,\mu}^T f(x).$$

In particular, $Q_r^T f(x)$ converges to $f(x) \in L^1(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T)$ for almost every $x \in B^d$.

Proof. First we note that changing the variable $\theta \mapsto \pi - \theta$ in the (4.5) shows that

$$(4.9) T_{\pi-\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; f, x) = T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; f, x)$$

since $T_{\theta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; f, x)$ is uniquely determined. By the definition of $Q_r^T f$ and (4.5),

$$Q_r^T f(x) = c_{\lambda + \mu} \int_0^{\pi} T_{\phi}(W_{\kappa, \mu}^T; f, x) g_r(\cos 2\phi) (\sin \phi)^{2\lambda + 2\mu} d\phi$$

= $c_{\lambda + \mu} \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} T_{\phi/2}(W_{\kappa, \mu}^T; f, x) g_r(\cos \phi) \left(\sin \frac{\phi}{2}\right)^{2\lambda + 2\mu} d\phi.$

Split the integral over $[0, 2\pi]$ into two integrals, one over $[0, \pi]$ and the other over $[\pi, 2\pi]$. Changing the variable $\phi \mapsto 2\pi - \phi$ in the second integral and using (4.9) shows that the integral over $[\pi, 2\pi]$ is equal to the one over $[0, \pi]$. Consequently, we get

$$Q_r^T f(x) = c_{\lambda+\mu} \int_0^{\pi} T_{\phi/2}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; f, x) g_r(\cos\phi) \left(\sin\frac{\phi}{2}\right)^{2\lambda+2\mu} d\phi.$$

Let us define

$$\Lambda(\theta, x) = \int_0^\theta T_{\phi/2}(W_{\kappa, \mu}^T; |f|, x) \left(\sin \frac{\phi}{2}\right)^{2\lambda + 2\mu} d\phi.$$

It follows from the definition of $M_{\kappa,\mu}^T f(x)$ (changing variable $\phi \mapsto \phi/2$) that

$$\Lambda(\theta, x) \le M_{\kappa, \mu}^T f(x) \int_0^{\theta} \left(\sin \frac{\phi}{2} \right)^{2\lambda + 2\mu} d\phi.$$

We can now follow the proof of Theorem 2.6 almost literally to finish the proof. \Box

Let us point out that for d=1 and $h_{\kappa}(x)=|x|^{\kappa}$ (the group $G=\mathbb{Z}_2$), the weight function $W_{\kappa,\mu}^T$ becomes the Jacobi weight function $t^{\kappa-1/2}(1-t)^{\mu-1/2}$ on [0,1]. Hence, our result provides a way to prove results on almost everywhere convergence of the Jacobi series.

We can apply Theorem 4.8 to various summation methods. For example, we can consider the Poisson sum (integral)

$$P_r^T(f;x) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n P_n(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; f) = \left(f \star_{\kappa,\mu}^T P(r; \{\cdot\}) \right)(x), \qquad x \in T^d,$$

as $r \mapsto 1$, where the Poisson kernel P(r;t) of the Jacobi series

$$P(r;t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n p_n^{(\lambda_{\kappa} + \mu - \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2})} (1) p_n^{(\lambda_{\kappa} + \mu - \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2})} (t)$$

has an explicit representation in terms of the hypergeometric function ([3, p. 102, Ex. 19] and use [16, Vol. 1, p. 64, 2.1.4(23)])

$$P(r;t) = \frac{(1-r)(1+r)^{\lambda+\mu}}{(1-2rt+r^2)^{\lambda+\mu+1}} {}_{2}F_{1}\left(\frac{\frac{\lambda+\mu}{2}, \frac{\lambda+\mu-1}{2}}{\frac{1}{2}}; \frac{2r(1+t)}{(1+r)^2}\right).$$

This kernel is known to be positive.

Proposition 4.9. For $f \in L^1(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T)$,

$$\lim_{r \to 1-} P_r^T(f; x) = f(x) \qquad a.e. \ on \ T^d.$$

Proof. We apply the theorem with

$$P(r; \cos \theta) \le c \frac{(1 - r^2)}{(1 - 2r\cos \theta + r^2)^{\lambda + \mu + 1}} := m_r(\theta),$$

where the inequality follows from the explicit formula of P(r;t). It is easy to verify that m_r satisfies the conditions required in the theorem.

The Cesàro means for the orthogonal expansion on T^d are defined just as the means on B^d . We have the similar result that states: for $f \in L^1(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T)$ and $\delta > \lambda_{\kappa} + \mu$, the Cesàro (C, δ) means $S_n^{\delta}(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; f, x)$ converge almost everywhere to f(x) on T^d .

The de la Vallèe Poussin mean, $M_n^T(f,x)$, on the simplex is defined by

$$M_n^T(f, x) := \sum_{k=0}^n \mu_{k,n}^{\lambda_{\kappa} + \mu} P_n(W_{\kappa, \mu}^T; f, x),$$

where $\mu_{k,n}^{\lambda+\mu}$ is as given in (2.14). Just as in the case of Proposition 2.8, our result shows the following:

Proposition 4.10. For $f \in L^1(W^T_{\kappa,\mu})$, the de la Vallèe Poussin means satisfy

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} M_n(W_{\kappa,\mu}^T; f, x) = f(x), \quad a.e. \text{ on } T^d.$$

We state the result for these means since they have an interesting connection in the case of the classical weight function (1.7) on the simplex. In terms of the Bernstein basis

$$B_{\alpha}(x) := \binom{n}{\alpha} x^{\alpha} (1 - |x|)^{n - |\alpha|}, \qquad \alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^d, \ |\alpha| = n,$$

on the simplex, the de la Vallèe Poussin means with respect to the weight function (1.7) can be expressed as

$$M_n^T(f;x) = \sum_{|\alpha| \le n} \frac{\int_{T^d} f(y) B_{\alpha}(y) W_{\kappa,\mu}^T dy}{\int_{T^d} B_{\alpha}(y) W_{\kappa,\mu}^T dy} B_{\alpha}(x)$$

and they are known as the Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators. These operators were studied by several authors (see, for example, [7, 11, 12]); in the case of d=1, the Jacobi series, they were studied in [4, 8]. As far as we know, Proposition 4.10 appears to be new even for d=1.

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